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PHARMACEUTICAL AND DIETARY
SUPPLEMENTS AND FOOD PRODUCTS
MADE THEREFROM, AND METHODS FOR
THEIR USE IN REDUCING BODY WEIGHT

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REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

This Reply is in response to the Office Action mailed March 3, 2006, in the above-identified application. An Information Disclosure Statement, a Fee Transmittal Sheet and a check to cover the required fees accompany this Reply.

The Applicant respectfully requests the opportunity to interview the Examiner by telephone at the Examiner's earliest convenience to discuss the claimed ranges and the nature of the Applicant's double salt invention.

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